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FROM: Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H.
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SUBJECT: **NOTIFICATION OF THE USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT
NOTICE OF AWARD NUMBER 3U01IP000020-05S3 REVISED FROM THE
CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION**

This is to notify you that I am exercising the delegated authority approved by your Board on June 14, 2011 to accept and execute future awards and/or amendments that are consistent with the requirements of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Notice of Award (NA) Number 3U01IP000020-05 that extend the term through September 29, 2016, subject to review and approval by County Counsel, and notification to your Board and the Chief Executive Office.

Under this authority, I will accept NA 3U01IP000020-05S3 REVISED (Amendment Two), issued by the CDC on December 13, 2011, to reflect a six-month no-cost extension of the budget and project periods from March 29, 2012 to September 30, 2012 to complete activities of the Varicella Active Surveillance Project (VASP) in the Antelope Valley. VASP is a research project designed to evaluate the impact of the varicella vaccination program on varicella disease (chicken pox) and herpes zoster (shingles), and other viral diseases, including the impact of disease control and prevention activities. The six-month no-cost extension will enable the Department of Public Health to complete VASP activities including data collection, data analysis and evaluation reports, and final disposition of VASP related paper work and electronic data. The data collected in this surveillance project will assist the CDC in establishing national guidelines to prevent varicella.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved NA 3U01IP000020-05S3 REVISED (Amendment Two) as to use and this delegated authority action.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

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c: Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
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